

# Fort Collins Christian School Newsletter

November 6, 2020



## IMPORTANT DATES IN NOVEMBER & DECEMBER

Tues., November 10 – Thurs. 12	Bike Safety Classes provided by Bike Fort Collins
Wednesday, November 11	Mid-term Reports
Fri. Nov. 20- Sun. Nov. 29	Thanksgiving Break
Friday, December 18	Christmas Party (School is out at noon.)
Sat. Dec. 19 – Sun. Jan. 3	Second Quarter Ends Winter Break

## FORT COLLINS CHRISTIAN SCHOOL IS A CORE VALUES SCHOOL

We are a core values school! We **CHERISH** our selected seven core values: Christ-centered Living, Honor, Exploration, Responsibility, Integrity, Service, and Heroism. “To acquire wisdom is to love oneself: people who **CHERISH** understanding will prosper.” Proverbs 19:8

In **November**, we are focusing on the third core value of **Exploration**: **discovering new information to gain a deep understanding of God and his creation**. The students are given the opportunity to acknowledge classmates who show the core values of Christ-centered living, Honor, and Exploration every day.

## BIKE SAFETY CLASSES (NOVEMBER 10-12)

Bike Fort Collins will come to our school and provide our students (Grades K-8) with bike safety lessons next week (Tuesday – Thursday). Each lesson will be for about 45 minutes each day after lunch, one for Grades K-3 (Tuesday and Wednesday, 1:00 – 1:45 p.m.) and the other for Grades 6-8 (Tuesday – Thursday, 2:00 – 2:45 p.m.). On Thursday, the students in grades 6-8 will go on an off-campus ride in the neighborhood. The lessons include Walking & Rules of Road, Helmet Fit and ABC Quick Bike Check, and Bike Skills. If your children have their own bikes, please bring their bikes and helmets to school on Tuesday. They will bring extra bikes for the students who do not have their own bikes to use. They will bring a mechanic to fix and tune up their bikes on Tuesday as well. They can keep the bikes at school this week.



## VIDEO “ALL THINGS BRIGHT AND BEAUTIFUL”

In October, Grade K-3 class finished the Bible Unit “Creation.” As part of the unit, they learned the song “All Things Bright and Beautiful” with sign language. Miss Reeder taught them sign language for the chorus part of the song. Their singing was recorded and shown at our church as Special Music on Sabbath, October 24. Now this video is available on our school Facebook. Please go to our school Facebook page and listen to their singing. They did a great job!



## Snow Days

Please remember that we follow Poudre School District's snow day schedule. When they cancel, we cancel, and if they start late, we start late (at the same time as Poudre School District). Please check your TV or online news. Occasionally, we may feel the need to make a decision which is separate from PSD in order to best care for our school's needs. When this happens, Mrs. Breese and Miss Reeder will consult with the school board chair to make a decision and then contact all the parents.

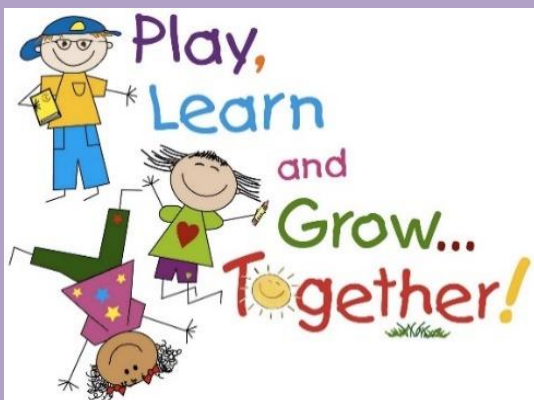


## SCHOOL T-SHIRT DAY ON WEDNESDAYS!

Most of the students got their red school T-shirt by now. The school T-shirt will be used for the school field trips, and **Wednesday is a School T-shirt Day!** So please make sure that your child(ren) wears the school t-shirt on Wednesdays.



## PARENT INCENTIVE:



When you introduce a new student to our school and the student stays in our school for more than 6 months, the parents who introduced the new student to our school will get \$75. We believe that we have a great school and our school is very safe because we have our security system and are located next to the Fort Collins Police Services. Please let other people know about our school.

## **BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION AND POP TABS COLLECTION FOR RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE**



The Box Tops for Education program is a wonderful program that gives free money to the school when you send in the box tops (as seen in the picture above) or register through the Box Tops app. All you have to do to register is download the app, create an account, select our school with our school ID number, which is 580475, and scan your receipts within 14 days of purchase! Miss Reeder would be happy to help you get this set up on your phone if you need some assistance! Please send in any physical Box Top coupons you have as well, as we still get money for those, too! Feel free to contact Miss Reeder with any questions regarding this program! Thanks for helping us collect Box Tops for Education!



Also, FCCS holds 8 core values, CHERISH, that are described earlier in this newsletter. One of those values is service, and we are always looking for ways that we can help our students learn how to be of service to others. One way that we have decided to do this is by collecting pop tabs (or the tab from any aluminum can), to send to the Denver Ronald

McDonald House, which provides support for families who are dealing with childhood illnesses. The Ronald McDonald House collects these aluminum tabs, recycles them, and then uses the money from recycling them to further their mission of supporting families. You can help us and involve your children in this project by saving the aluminum tabs off of cans, and bringing them to school and giving them to Miss Reeder, who will send them to the Ronald McDonald House when we have a certain amount. Thank-you for helping us help others! Contact Miss Reeder with any questions you may have!

## FCCS PRESCHOOL CORNER

The preschoolers were busy doing so many exciting things in the month of October! They have been practicing matching uppercase and lowercase letters, and have just started learning how to write letters and what sounds the letters make. In preschool, we begin learning to write ABCs with letter "L", instead of "A", because we teach letter writing based on the type of pencil stroke/s needed to form the letter. The straight lines in "L" are the simplest. "L" will be followed by "F," "E," "H," and so on, until it is time to introduce the next set of pencil strokes! To aid them in their study of letter "L," the preschoolers made a ladybug craft with a book that helped them practice identifying, writing, and making the sound of letter "L."



Preschool also worked on lots of fine motor skills in October. In the picture to the left, you can see some of the preschoolers practicing the fine motor skill of tearing and gluing paper. They used this orange construction paper to make a torn paper pumpkin art project! Tearing paper is an important fine motor skill, and is the precursor to good scissor cutting skills.

November!

We are ready for more learning and fun in preschool in

~Miss Reeder

## KINDERGARTEN SCIENCE AND P.E. SECTION

This past week, kindergarten finished up their study of the human body. They took a cutout of their body, and as they reviewed each body part they had studied, taped a paper cutout of themselves. This inside their had a lot of fun much about how amazing!



that part onto the cutout of helped them to visualize what is bodies! The kindergarteners with this activity, and learned so God made our bodies incredibly

At the beginning of this week,

kindergarten started learning about the differences between living and non-living things, and how to identify them. In P.E., we have been working on coordination, following instructions, and aim for both kicking and tossing. The kindergarteners' gross motor skills have been getting a lot of practice!



They are ready to take on new challenges and learn more amazing things here in November!

~Miss Reeder

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### **OUR MISSION**

It is our purpose to provide a safe Christ-centered learning environment to empower students to become respectful and responsible individuals with a lifelong desire to learn.

### **OUR VISION**

It is the harmonious development of the physical, mental, and spiritual powers of the individual student through Christ-centered instruction. It is the preparation for successful citizenship in this world and the world to come. It is to instill the joy of unselfish service for others in the child.

### **OUR GOAL**

Our goal is to teach our students about a lifelong personal relationship with Jesus Christ, and also to challenge, support, and care for our students as they develop into respectful, responsible, and caring individuals.